

## House Resolution No. 2189

**Whereas**, as the 2007-2008 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

**Whereas**, the Caruthersville School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty in July 2008, with the retirement of Larry Bond who has devoted several years of his life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as an educator; and

**Whereas**, Larry Bond has taught instrumental music for nine years at Caruthersville, where he is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

**Whereas**, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Larry Bond has touched the lives of countless youngsters by helping them form a solid educational foundation upon which to build in the future; and

**Whereas**, Larry Bond has watched his pupils grow, develop, and mature through the knowledge he has imparted to them both as a teacher and as a friend; and

**Whereas**, a veteran of the United States Army, Larry Bond has also enjoyed recognition as a former nine-year employee of Collins Music in Sikeston, where he served as a school service representative in charge of approximately forty area school accounts in Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky, and Tennessee; and as an adjudicator and clinician at various high school band festivals in Missouri, Arkansas, and Kentucky; and

**Whereas**, Larry Bond has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Betty Bond; and four children, Libby, Eric, John, and Jimmy:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join the Caruthersville School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Larry Bond has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing him the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that he so justly deserves; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Larry Bond, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Terry Swinger  
District No. 162

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 2189, adopted April 24, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker